

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

(with complete listing)

1-22 (Cancelled.)

23. (Presently amended) A window track assembly for attachment of first and second window panes (48, 50) to an upper structural panel (12) and to a lower structural panel (14), said upper structural panel and said lower structural panel generally lying in a common vertical plane, said upper structural panel having a lower edge, said lower structural panel having an upper edge, said lower edge and said upper edge defining a window opening therebetween, the window track assembly comprising:

a first window track strip (22) including a first side wall (26), a second side wall (28) and a transverse wall (30) connected therebetween which define an edge-receiving receptacle (32) having an opening facing a first direction and adapted for receiving said lower edge of said upper structural panel;

a first guide track structure (38, 40, 42) extending transversely from said second side wall (28) of said edge-receiving receptacle of said first window track strip and defining first and second window slide track receptacles (44, 46) having openings facing a second direction opposite to said first direction;

a second window track strip (24) including a first side wall (52), a second side wall (54) and a transverse wall ([30]56) connected therebetween which define an edge-receiving receptacle (58) having an opening facing a third direction and adapted for receiving said upper edge of said ~~second~~lower structural panel; ~~and~~

a second guide track structure (64, 66, 68) extending transversely from said second side wall (54) of said edge-receiving receptacle of said second window track strip and defining first

and second window slide track receptacles (70, 72) having openings facing a fourth direction opposite said third direction; and

a resilient member (82) connected to and substantially covering the entire surface of said transverse wall of said second window track strip that faces said fourth direction;

whereby when said edge-receiving receptacle of said first window track strip receives said lower edge of said upper structural panel and said edge-receiving receptacle of said second window track strip receives said upper edge of said lower structural panel, said first direction and said fourth direction are the same, said second direction and said third direction are the same, and said first and second window track strips cooperate to capture and support said first and second window panes for sliding movement between said first and second guide track structures.

24. (Original) The window track assembly of claim 23, wherein:

said first and second window slide track receptacles of said second guide track structure have a first depth; and

said first and second window slide track receptacles of said first guide track structure have a greater depth than said first depth.

25. (Cancelled)

26. (Original) The window track assembly of claim 23, wherein:

said first and second side walls of said first window track strip each include an inner face designed and arranged to abut said lower edge of said upper structural panel; and

said first and second side walls of said second window track strip each include an inner face designed and arranged to abut said upper edge of said lower structural panel.

27. (Original) The window track assembly of claim 23, wherein:

said first guide track structure includes generally parallel first and second guide walls (40, 42) which are coupled to said second side wall (28) of said first window track strip by a support wall (38) extending generally perpendicular therefrom; and

said second guide track structure includes generally parallel first and second guide walls which are coupled to said second side wall (54) of said second window track strip by a support wall (68) extending generally perpendicular therefrom.

28. (Currently amended) The window track assembly of claim 26, wherein:

each of said inner faces of said first and second side walls of said first window track strip are characterized by having serrations designed and arranged to engage and retain said lower edge of said upper structural panel within said edge-receiving receptacle of said first window track strip, and

each of said inner faces of said first and second side walls of said second window track strip are characterized by having serrations designed and arranged to engage and retain said upper edge of said lower structural panel within said edge-receiving receptacle of said second window track strip.

29. (Currently amended) The window track assembly of claim [25]23, further comprising:

a channel extending in said fourth direction from said transverse wall edge-receiving receptacle of said second window track strip, said channel being designed and arranged to capture said resilient member.

30. (Cancelled)

31. (Currently amended) A window track assembly for attachment to upper and lower structural panels (12, 14), said upper structural panel and said lower structural panel generally lying in a common vertical plane and defining a window opening, comprising:

an upper window track strip (22) defining an upward-facing edge-receiving receptacle (32) receiving a lower edge of said upper structural panel member;

an upper guide track structure extending transversely from said upper window track strip and defining a downward-facing window slide track receptacle (44, 46);

a lower window track strip (24) defining a downward-facing edge-receiving receptacle (58) receiving an upper edge of said lower structural panel;

a resilient member (82) connected to and substantially covering the entire upper surface of said downward-facing edge-receiving receptacle of coupled to said lower window track strip;

a lower guide track structure extending transversely from said lower window track strip and defining an upward-facing window slide track receptacle (70, 72), an uppermost extent of said lower guide track structure being disposed at an elevation lower than said resilient member, said lower guide track structure being disposed laterally with respect to said resilient member; and

a first window panel (48) being located and slideably supported within said downward-facing window slide track receptacle and within said upward-facing window slide track receptacle.

32. (Currently amended) The window track assembly of claim 31, further comprising:

a first divider wall (40) disposed within said downward-facing window slide track receptacle defining first and second slots (44, 46);

a second divider wall (64) disposed within said upward-facing window slide track receptacle defining first and second slots (70,72);

said first window panel disposed within said first slot of said downward-facing window slide track receptacle and within said first slot of said upward-facing window slide track receptacle, and

a second window panel (50) disposed within said second slot of said downward-facing window slide track receptacle and within said second slot of said upward-facing window slide track receptacle,

said first window panel being maintained from contact with said second window panel by said first divider wall and said second divider wall,